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Mike and Jeff,

I am forwarding your spreadsheets for Lewistown, Circle and Missoula to HQs staff for them to review. I would also like to request that we set up a time next week for you guys to review the spreadsheets with the HQs staff. While I understand the concepts, I'm concerned that I would add confusion to the process or wouldn't be able to provide sufficient detail about the numbers, etc. So, I'd prefer to have you guys present this information directly to HQs.

When would you be available to talk to HQs? Please let me know what times work for you next week and then Tonya and I will coordinate with HQs. And, I appreciate your patience as we educate a different group of HQs staff (all of whom should be in their positions at least long enough to respond to MT's %MHI question).

As a side note, in walking through the Circle example, it pointed out a need for clarification that I think will be critically important to stress with HQs. The S&W evaluation cannot consider costs associated with meeting secondary standards. The community is expected to comply with NSS and the costs to meet secondary standards should not be considered when determining eligibility for a variance from nutrient criteria. The Circle example seems to incorporate costs for the community to meet secondary standards---please be sure that you can clarify this issue when we meet with HQs or we can remove it as an example since it would not be acceptable for a nutrient variance.

I'm around all week if you want to chat.

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